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For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR :

PROVIDING A FUEL PURCHASE INCENTIVE (AS AMENDED)

AMENDMENT IN CONNECTION WITH CONTINUED EXAMINATION

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Dear Sir

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS:

This Amendment is filed concurrently with a Request For Continued Examination in connection with the above-identified patent application. Of note, a Final Office Action was issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on April 7, 2006. The April 7, 2006 Final Office Action provided a period of 3 months in which to file a response, i.e., by July 7, 2006. A Petition for a three-month extension of time is submitted herewith. Accordingly, a response to the April 7, 2006 Office Action is due by October 7, 2006 and the Request For Continued Examination mentioned above (as well as this Amendment) is being timely filed.